REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-5 and 8-10 have been cancelled without prejudice to pursuing the claims in a divisional or continuation application. The remaining claims, claims 2, 6 and 7 are allowed. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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